

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Minutes and Informal Instructions of the Open Meeting of
Wednesday, February 25, 2009

The Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (Commission) met as noticed. Present were Chairperson Callisto, Commissioner Meyer, and Commissioner Azar (telephonically)

2510-ER-103 – Application of the Village of Hazel Green, Grant and Lafayette Counties, Wisconsin, as an Electric Public Utility, for Authority to Increase Electric Rates

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

4130-ER-106 – Application of the City of New London, Outagamie County, Wisconsin, as an Electric Public Utility, for Authority to Increase Electric Rates

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

4330-WR-104 – Application of Village of Oakfield Municipal Water Utility, Fond du Lac County, Wisconsin, for Authority to Increase Water Rates

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and Telephonic Hearing and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

5365-CS-100 – Application of City of Shawano Water & Sewer Utility, Shawano County, Wisconsin, to Construct a Replacement of Goers Lift Station and Reconstruct River Heights Sanitary Sewers

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

2815-TI-105 – Application of CenturyTel of the Midwest-Kendall, LLC, for Approval of an Alternative Regulation Plan

2930-TI-104 – Application of CenturyTel of Wisconsin, LLC, for Approval of an Alternative Regulation Plan

4260-TI-103 – Application of CenturyTel of the Midwest-Wisconsin, LLC, for Approval of an Alternative Regulation Plan

Extension of Time for Further Evaluation of Alternatives

The Commission conditionally approved an extension of the existing alternative regulation plans for CenturyTel of the Midwest-Kendall, LLC (CTK), CenturyTel of Wisconsin, LLC (CTW),

and CenturyTel of the Midwest-Wisconsin, LLC (CTMW), to September 30, 2009, on their same terms and conditions, to allow time for staff to develop alternatives.

The Commission granted the extension on the condition that CTK, CTW and CTMW respond to staff's third set of data requests by Friday, February 27, 2009. If CTK, CTW and CTMW believe they cannot meet this deadline, they may petition the Administrator of the Telecommunications Division for an extension of time. Any extension of time shall not be granted beyond the date of March 10, 2009.

The Commission directed the Telecommunications Division to draft an order consistent with its discussion.

4220-AU-134 – Application of Northern States Power Company (Wisconsin), d/b/a Xcel Energy, for Approval of an Affiliated Interest Agreement with Xcel Energy Services, Inc.

The Commission continued its discussion on this matter from the open meeting held February 20, 2009.

The Commission modified and approved the application filed on behalf of Northern States Power Company (Wisconsin), d/b/a Xcel Energy, for an affiliated interest agreement with Xcel Energy Services, Inc.

The Commission directed the Gas and Energy Division to draft an order consistent with its discussion.

The Commission delegated first review of the draft order to Commissioner Azar. After her review, the draft order will then be presented to the Commission for review at a future open meeting.

CLOSED SESSION - The Commission recessed the open meeting, went into closed session under Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(g) to discuss the litigation matters noted below with legal counsel, and reconvened the open meeting pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(2).

Discussion of intervention in the *Application of Green Power Express, LP*, FERC Docket No. ER09-681, filed February 9, 2009

Commissioner Meyer moved, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(g), that the Commission convene in closed session to discuss the litigation matter noted above with counsel. Commissioner Azar seconded the motion. The motion was carried and the Commission went into closed session.

(After a brief discussion, Commissioner Azar excused herself and left the closed session to attend to another obligation.)

The Commission continued its discussion in closed session and then reconvened in open session.

The Commission directed the Gas and Energy Division to prepare draft comments to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) in the *Application of Green Power Express, LP*, FERC Docket No. ER09-681, consistent with its discussion.

The Commission delegated review of the comments to Chairperson Callisto in the absence of an extension of time being granted by FERC. If such extension is granted, the comments will be reviewed at the next open meeting.

The Commission adjourned the open meeting at 9:06 a.m.

Sandra J. Paske
Secretary to the Commission